



OAKNOTES

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"Another Summer – Another Mandatory Water Ban"

Dear Manchester Residents:

The title of this article is a constant quote for residents of not only Manchester, but throughout the area. You can pretty much bet that if this area doesn't receive rain, chances are that water bans will be imposed. Many wonder, "Why does the Town allow new homes to be built when we don't have enough water to supply the existing ones?"

The Town imposes water bans to conserve a natural resource and to ensure an adequate water supply for fire protection. The Town utilizes several wells and a spring for its water supply as opposed to surrounding jurisdictions such as Baltimore City or Baltimore County who use reservoirs. It is the responsibility of the Town to maintain these water supplies for the long haul. If restrictions were not imposed and residents were allowed to water lawns, wash cars and use as much water as they are willing to pay for then we run the risk of pumping our wells dry. Finding additional water sources is expensive.

The Town of Manchester has an ordinance that requires a developer of more than three (3) homes to install a water supply, a well, capable of producing (at a minimum) 375 gallons per home to be built. A normal household of four uses approximately 150 gallons per day. The remaining 225 gallons per day per home is added to the Town's water system.

Now you ask "Why is the Town short on water, if this excess comes to the town's supply?" This answer is that over the past 12 years the Town has lost the use of three water supplies due to new standards for water quality. This loss accounted for approximately 180,000 gallons of water per day. Over the past three years, the Town has been able to make up some of the deficit through a well field located North of town. Exploration for water is a constant for the Town of Manchester, and the option with the York Water Co. is just another tool that the Town can use to supply potable water for the residents of Manchester.

Sincerely,

*Steven L. Miller
Town Administrator*

Manchester Area Residents



Leaf pick-up dates are as follows: November 5th, 13th, 19th, 26th and December 3rd. Please rake all of your leaves onto the curb line and **DO NOT BAG**.



HOLIDAY TRASH PICK-UP

Christmas Holiday – trash will be collected Thursday, December 27th

New Years Holiday – trash will be collected Thursday, January 3rd

CHRISTMAS TREE PICK-UP

January 10th
January 17th

Please remember that all decorations and lights must be removed from the trees. **DO NOT BAG**.

TRASH REMINDERS!!

- Trash containers cannot exceed 50lbs
- Trash containers cannot exceed 32 gallons
- Bags must be tied securely/containers must have tight fitting lids



BULK TRASH PICK-UP

November 21st

To take advantage of the Bulk Trash pick-up, you must first call Hughes Trash Removal between the first of the month and the day before pick-up. 410-374-6467.

FENCE INFO!!!

Although fences do not require a building permit, they **DO REQUIRE a zoning certificate** from the Town. There are also several items to consider when erecting a fence:

* if erected on a corner lot, fences must meet certain height & distance requirements – please contact the Town Office

* property should be properly surveyed to ensure that the fence is not erected on a neighbor's property

* fences may not be erected on any water or sewer main or utility drainage easement

* no utilities can be located inside the fenced area (water meter, electric meter, etc).



SNOW NOTICE !!

With snow on the way, please remember to help our firefighters by not covering your fire hydrant with snow.



SNOW INFORMATION !!

Please remember that ALL Town streets are **SNOW EMERGENCY ROUTES**. When the Snow Emergency Plan is in effect, **PARKING IS PROHIBITED** and violators will be fined.

ALL SIDEWALKS are required to be cleared of snow and ice within 10 hours after the snow has stopped falling. Unless the snow falls overnight, in which case you have until 6pm.

If you live in a development with a use-and-common driveway, the Town is **NOT RESPONSIBLE** for plowing.



Winter is right around the corner, please help us prepare for snow plowing. All basketball nets that are in the street or hanging into the street must be removed. The Town **WILL NOT** be responsible for any **damage** caused to basketball nets.



Unlicensed Vehicles

In accordance with Ordinance 97-1, it is unlawful to keep any motor vehicle without registration plates or expired tags on **any** property within the Town unless that vehicle is enclosed in a garage or other building. Anyone violating this Ordinance may be found guilty of a municipal infraction and be fined \$50.

Community Events Information



BLACK FRIDAY!
NOVEMBER 24TH
6PM – 9PM

Get a jump start on the holiday spirit! Join us for our Black Friday celebration. Come visit local businesses, take a hay ride through town or watch the tree lighting in front of the Town Hall.

Town Hall Tree Lighting at 6pm

Nativity Lighting at Trinity Church
6:30pm

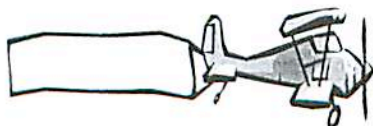
Hay Wagon Rides!!

Model Train Display at Fire Hall

Santa Arrives on a Fire Engine!!



Don't forget to turn your clocks
BACK one hour on November 4th



GET THE WORD OUT!!

Advertise your business in Oaknotes!

½ page	\$100
¼ page	\$ 75
Business Card	\$25

B-I-N-G-O

November	9th
December	14th
January	11th 25th
February	8th 22 nd

Doors open at 5:30pm
Games start at 7:30pm



What are the Cub Scouts of Pack
320 Up To?

On February 24th the Scouts will be distributing bags for the "Scouting for Food" program. We will pick up your full bags on March 3rd. Just leave your bags on your doorstep or at your mailbox. All food is donated to the Carroll County Food Bank. For more information, please call 239-0659 or 374-4510. Thank you for all of your help!!



We are currently updating our web page. Please continue to check out our progress at:
www.manchestermid.org.



**Dog Licenses Expire on
December 31st!!**

Come to the Town Office to get your updated tags. To renew your dog's license, you will need to bring current rabies papers and proof if your pet has been altered. A **\$10.00 late fee** will be assessed after March 1, 2008. Office hours are M – F, 8am – 4:30pm.

MANCHESTER WAR MEMORIAL



If you are from the Manchester area and have served or are currently serving in the Armed Forces, you are eligible to have your name inscribed on the War Memorial located in front of the Town Office.

Applications are available at the Town Office. All completed application forms will be held until the next update of the memorial, slated for 2008. The DD Form 214 or information regarding current active duty assignment must accompany the application.

The Manchester area includes: Millers, Alesia, Melrose, Lineboro and all addresses in the Manchester Election District.

Nature Center

Summer is ending and fall is about to begin. Many changes are taking place and many more are to follow in the coming weeks!

Migrating birds and butterflies that spend their summers in Maryland will be heading south for the winter and the birds who spend their summers in Canada will be arriving in our area for the winter. Bird feeders will be frequented in full force, as these birds need to fuel up, so remember to keep your birdfeeders filled. Animals will be shedding their summer coats and growing in their heavier winter coats.

Children are back in school and many are visiting Charlotte's Quest after their summer vacations. They are attending the Outdoor Classroom, Nature Nook and Nature Explorers. To learn more about these classes and events, please visit our website.

November 4th – Native Americans

Time: 3:30pm-4:30pm

Ages 4 and up

Come join us as we explore through artifacts and activities how Native Americans lived off the land and interacted with nature to survive.

Registration required: 410-258-6357 or 410-374-3395.

December 1st – Christmas Crafts

Time: 10am – 12pm

Ages: ALL

The entire family can join in the fun of making and taking crafts that can become treasured gifts for your loved ones. From birdfeeders to wreaths to wrapping paper. Even more crafts to choose from for the little ones!

Registration required: 410-374-3395.

Just a reminder that we will be closing the Nature Center on December 15th and will reopen March 1st.

Be a friend of Charlotte's Quest today by joining the Manchester Parks Foundation, Inc. Find the form and more info on our website: www.charlottesquestnaturecenter.com.



Trick Or Treating !!

October 31st

If you would like to participate in Trick Or Treating, please turn on your porch light during the hours of 6:30pm and 8:30pm.

M.A.M.A. NEWS!

Manchester Area Merchants Association (MAMA) would like to invite businesses active in the 21102 zip code area to join our organization. We meet at noon on the third Thursday of the month (alternating between Spargo's and Dutch Corner). We welcome owners or representatives from anyone doing business in the local area to join us for lunch and a great networking opportunity. Members are invited to share any news about their business with the attendees at our monthly meetings, and we usually feature a business each month.

MAMA is already hard at work preparing for the Black Friday Open House. The event is Friday, November 23rd from 6pm until 9pm. There will be a live radio broadcast from Manchester that evening. Santa will be arriving on the fire truck, plus you can enjoy a family hayride! More businesses than ever will be opening their doors to serve you goodies and to provide game information and clues. The MAMA members have an all new game with really great prizes this year. Everyone should plan on coming out early to have time for dinner at one of our local restaurants and to visit all of the

participating businesses (the more places you visit, the better chance you have to win a prize).

We have had two successful networking events with MAMA and the Hampstead Business Association. We all gathered at Cygnus Wine Cellars in June and at the Hampstead Train Station in September. We welcome all business owners and employees to these events as well as anyone that would like to share information that is relevant to the business community. We will be scheduling another event in the new year.

Manchester Community Guide and Business Directory is currently being updated. If you are a business within Manchester and would like to be included in the directory, please contact Lynne Bare @ 410-977-5962 prior to November 15th.

A LONG HISTORY IS CELEBRATED!

Boy Scout Troop 320 Celebrates 75 Years in Manchester!!

On September 22nd Troop 320 had its 75th birthday and had a weekend of celebration. On Saturday the Scouts visited a local farm and participated in "Mountain Man Day". The boys got to shoot black powder rifles, chop wood and make dinner of stew, corn bread and peach cobbler.

The next day was the formal event at Immanuel Lutheran Church. This church has hosted all but one year of the Boy Scouts during its long history in town. During the day the Troop honored almost 60 Scouts who have earned the award of Eagle Scout and heard comments from former Manchester Town Mayor, Elmer Lippy. Many other Scouts of all ages joined the current Troop and represented many years of Scouting. As the expression goes, "a good time was had by all".

Boy Scouts of America provides fun, learning experiences for young boys as they grow into men. If anyone is interested in the event or joining Boy Scouts of America Troop 320, please contact John Sibiga at 410-239-4281.

Manchester Police Department

It is an honor and a privilege to have received the appointment of Chief of Police with the Manchester Police Department. I want to thank the Mayor and Town Council for entrusting me to lead Manchester Police Department and to thank my colleagues for their continued support while transitioning into my new role. My initial priorities are to increase manpower/shift strength, increase police presence within the Town and its communities and increase traffic enforcement.

The Manchester Police Department is proud in the tradition of the quality of service we provide to our community. Our members are hardworking professionals dedicated to keeping Manchester a safe place to live, work and raise a family. We accomplish this with a firm commitment to the philosophy of community policing. We work diligently within the community to identify and resolve problems in an effort to improve the quality of life for our citizens.

The Manchester Police Department currently consists of five sworn police officers and one support staff member: Corporal Steve Goetz, PFC Aimee Baker, and Administrative Assistant Cara Drennen. I am pleased to welcome two new additions: PFC Joe Peters and PFC Eric Immler. PFC Peters recently retired from the Baltimore Police Department as a Patrol Lieutenant and brings over 25 years of law enforcement experience with specialized training in narcotics. PFC Immler joins us from General Services Police with 7 years of law enforcement experience.

I am wish to bid farewell and offer best wishes to PFC Mike Beaumont who will be continuing his law enforcement career with the Westminster City Police Department. I would also like to thank the members of the North Carroll Auxiliary Police: Captain Chuck Drennen, Sergeant Dave Vickers, Taren Van Heerden and Tom Daugherty. This organization operates on donations and is run by hardworking volunteers. Some of their duties include patrolling neighborhoods at night, assisting officers with traffic control, DUI checkpoints and seat belt safety checks.

I am proud to announce that MPD won the 2007 Chief's Challenge Award. This award is given to a police department that has excelled in its' promotion and enforcement of seat belt use. Maryland State law requires the use of seat belts and child safety seats. Buckle up and save lives!

I have excited about MPD's future. I plan to focus on three main goals. First is improving organizational development including leadership and integrity and accountability. The second goal is to reaffirm and strengthen community reassurance. I encourage the citizens of Manchester to be active in their communities. One way is to become a member of a Neighborhood Watch. With this you become the eyes and ears of your community. MPD's goal is to provide protection for its citizens and their property. Your input is necessary for MPD to achieve this goal. The last goal is policing with confidence. MPD is committed to proactive policing and being visible in the community; responding to calls in a timely manner and thorough investigations and effective resolutions.

Respectfully,

Chief G. J. Gall

Manchester Police Department

Chief Gerald J. Gall
Cpl. Stephen F. Goetz
PFC Aimee J. Baker
PFC Joseph A. Peters
PFC Eric D. Immler

North Carroll Auxiliary Police

Capt. Charles Drennen
Sgt. David Vickers
Taren Van eerden
Thomas Daugherty

Manchester Police Auxiliary

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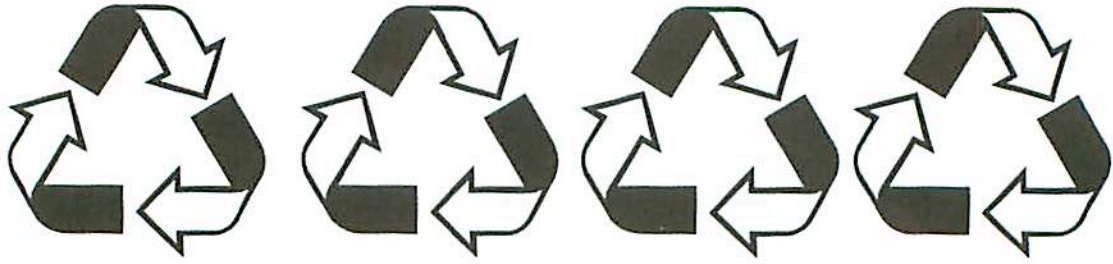
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Glass Bottles & Jars - All food, beverage jars & bottles of all colors.

Rigid Plastic Bottles & Jugs - Narrow neck plastic containers

Aluminum & Tin - All food & beverage containers, foil & disposable aluminum pans

All containers must be rinsed and lids discarded!



Paper Recycling Includes:

Newspapers/Inserts

Telephone Directories

Catalogues

School Paper

Cardboard

Cardboard

Magazines

Junk Mail/Envelopes

Office Paper

Fax Paper

Paperback & Hardback Books

Chipboard (no inserts): cereal, snacks, shoe boxes, etc.

All paper should be bundled and tied with a non-metallic string or placed in paper bags. Cardboard must be flattened and tied in 2' X 2' bundles.

MANCHESTER HISTORICAL CENTER

The Manchester Historical Center is open the first Sunday of each month (October 7th, November 4th and December 2nd) and by appointment at other times during the month by calling Julia Berwager at 410-239-7673.

Several of the classes of Manchester High School, having had reunions, enjoyed visiting the Center, especially the School Room.

Thanks to Dorothy Benedict and Belva LaMotte the Wink-Fuhrman Casket and Coffin Records (Feb. 3, 1879-Feb. 4, 1955) are now in book form and can be purchased for \$22.00 each. This was a giant undertaking for both ladies and the Historical Center is deeply indebted to them.

New items are continually being added to our displays as well as some family genealogy. We welcome additions to our collection especially older obituaries for our files.

In the upcoming Oaknotes, we plan to add items of interest as compiled by Charlotte Collett, starting with this issue:

Manchester was laid out March 5, 1765 by Captain Richard Richards. Manchester is the third oldest town in Carroll County following Taneytown (1762) and Westminster (1765). Early names were "New Market", "German Church", "Noodle Doosey" and "Ginger Cake Town". The lots in Manchester were an unusual shape; 5 perches in front and 8 perches deep. Main Street was 60' wide, lanes were 20' wide and allies were 16' wide. Main Street was originally named Castle Street. The name changes during the Revolutionary War to Main Street.

Some of the prominent names of residents in Manchester in the 1800's: Girhardt, Bolinger, Hauck, Hildebrand, Mailer, Pannebecker, Boos, Seller, Rupp, Gettier, Werner, Eberhart, Franfurter, Kipp, Daephner, Kroltinger, Weickel, Meyer, Schafer, Hogel, Zentz, Iback and Cross.

Manchester was incorporated in 1834. It had commissioners, Justice of the Peace, Clerk and Bailiff.



1634 N. Main Street
Hampstead, MD 21074
443-507-5390

Open House Hours

Wed., November 7th ~ 10 am - 7 pm
Thurs., November 8th ~ 10 am - 7 pm
Fri., November 9th ~ 10 am - 7 pm
Sat., November 10th ~ 10 am - 5 pm
Sun., November 11 ~ 11 am - 4 pm

Holiday Hours for November & December

Monday - Friday ~ 10 am - 7 pm
Saturday ~ 10 am - 5 pm
Sunday ~ 11 am - 4 pm

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Holiday Open House



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Dates to Remember

November

- 12 Closed – Veteran's Day
- 13 Town Council Meeting
- 20 Planning & Zoning Mtg.
- 21 Bulk Trash Pick Up
- 22 Closed - Thanksgiving
- 23 Closed – Black Friday
- 28 BZA if needed

January

- 1 Closed – New Years Day
- 8 Town Council Meeting
- 15 Planning & Zoning Mtg
- 21 Closed – Martin Luther King
- 23 BZA if needed

December

- 11 Town Council Meeting
- 18 Planning & Zoning Meeting
- 24 Closed - Holiday
- 25 Closed - Holiday
- 26 No BZA

February

- 12 Town Council Meeting
- 18 Closed – Presidents' Day
- 19 Planning & Zoning Meeting
- 29 BZA if needed

All meetings begin at 7:30pm